


**INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
**Memorandum**

**DATE:** July 19, 2000

**TO:** Adam Kinsman, Planner

**FROM:**  James W. Noel, Jr., Executive Director

**SUBJECT:** Special Use Permit Application Ferguson Enterprises, Inc.-UP-560-00

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Special Use Permit application no. UP-560-00 for Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. The Industrial Development Authority has been working with Ferguson for several months to assist them in finding a location for this facility in the upper County. We have been working closely with Don Swain, Manager of Facility Development with Ferguson and the property owner, Dick Wilkinson, to help facilitate this project. We are extremely excited at the prospect of having a quality company like Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. establishing a new facility in York County.

The proposed Ferguson facility will establish a new business park in the County. We are working with another company that would like to locate in proximity to the Ferguson project. If both of these projects proceed to completion, we will have established an excellent new commerce center in the County. Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. is planning to develop a first-class facility that will be aesthetically pleasing. The 10-acre parcel will allow Ferguson to grow at this location and ultimately expand into the main branch. The property is zoned Economic Opportunity and is a perfect fit for projects of this type. Access to the facility via Mooretown Road, Route 199 and I-64 makes this an excellent site for projects of this nature in the Greater Williamsburg market.

The approval of this request is a key step in establishing a new business area in York County. This area has been designated in the Comprehensive Plan as an economic development priority area, and we could not kick it off with a better company than Ferguson. The IDA strongly supports this request and urges approval by the Planning Commission.

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